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Preliminary Amendment

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

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Dear Sir:

Preliminary to the examination of the above-referenced new U.S. patent application, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claim 9 as follows:

Claim 9, line 1: change "one of claims 6 to 8" to --claim 6--.

REMARKS

The amendment to claim 9 is made in order to place the application in proper U. S. form by correcting improper multiply-dependent claim language. No new matter has been added by this amendment.